

Definition 4.1: Matrix

A **matrix** is a rectangular array of numbers

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix},$$

where the a_{ij} are scalars, called the **entries** or **components** of A . The **size** or **dimension** of a matrix is defined as $m \times n$, where m is the number of rows and n is the number of columns.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Column } j \\ \uparrow \\ \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1j} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{i1} & \cdots & a_{ij} & \cdots & a_{in} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mj} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} = A \\ \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\ a_1 \quad \quad \quad a_j \quad \quad \quad a_n \end{array}$$

FIGURE 1 Matrix notation.

Definition 4.2: Equality of matrices

Two matrices are **equal** if they have the same size and the same corresponding entries. More precisely, if $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ are two $m \times n$ -matrices, then $A = B$ means that $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for all $i = 1, \dots, m$ and $j = 1, \dots, n$.

Definition 4.3: Square matrix

A matrix of size $n \times n$ is called a **square matrix**. In other words, A is a square matrix if it has the same number of rows and columns.

Definition 4.4: Column vectors and row vectors

A matrix of size $n \times 1$ is called a **column vector**. A matrix of size $1 \times n$ is called a **row vector**. Here is an example of a column vector X and a row vector Y :

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad Y = [y_1 \quad \cdots \quad y_n].$$

Definition 4.5: Addition of matrices

Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ and $B = [b_{ij}]$ be two $m \times n$ -matrices. Then $A + B = C$ where C is the $m \times n$ -matrix $C = [c_{ij}]$ defined by

$$c_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

Definition 4.7: The zero matrix

The $m \times n$ **zero matrix** is the $m \times n$ -matrix in which all entries are equal to zero. It is denoted by O .

Properties

For any matrices A, B and $C \in \mathbb{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{K})$

1. $A + B = B + A$. (Commutativity)
2. $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$. (Associativity)
3. There exists a matrix $O \in \mathbb{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{K})$ with all entries 0 such that $A + O = A$. (Existence of Identity)
4. There exists a matrix $-A$ such that $A + (-A) = O$. (Existence of Inverse)

Remark 1.8 $\mathbb{M}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{K})$ with matrix addition defined on it forms an Abelian group.

Definition 1.49 (Matrix Multiplication) Let $A = (a_{ij})_{m \times n}$ and $B = (b_{ij})_{n \times p}$. Then their product $AB \in \mathbb{M}_{m \times p}$ and its (i, j) th entry is given by

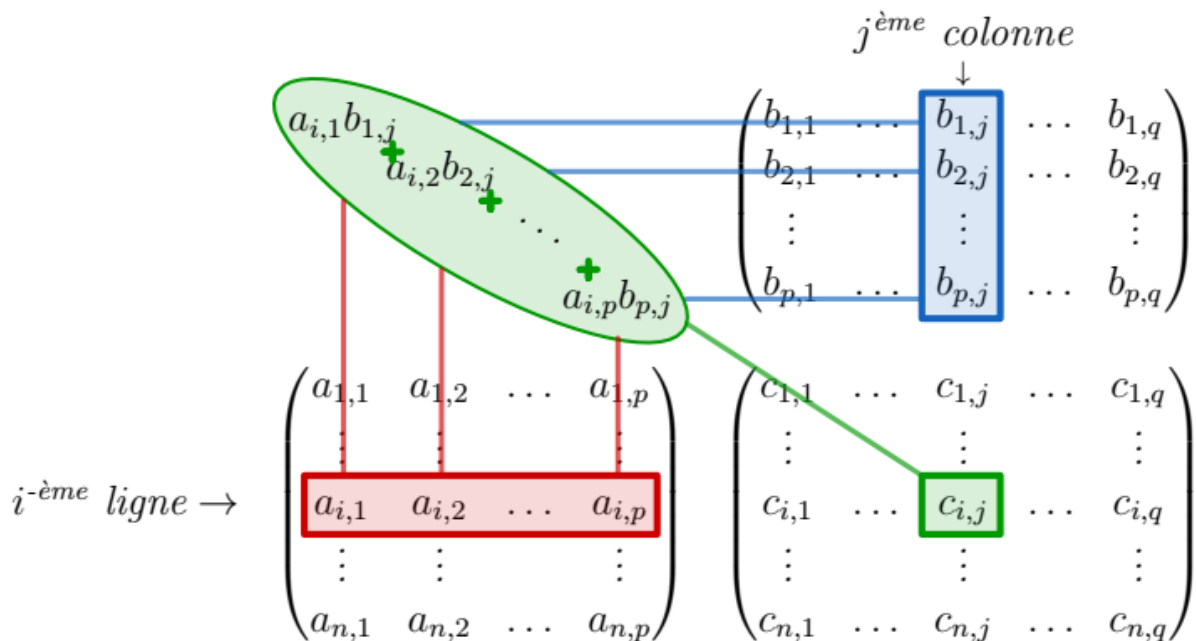
$$a_{i1}b_{1j} + a_{i2}b_{2j} + \cdots + a_{in}b_{nj}$$

For AB to make sense, the number of columns of A must equal the number of rows of B . Then we say that the size of matrices A and B are compatible for multiplication.

Définition III.1. Soient $n, p, q \in \mathbb{N}^*$, $A = (a_{i,j}) \in \mathcal{M}_{n,p}(\mathbb{K})$ et $B \in \mathcal{M}_{p,q}(\mathbb{K})$.

On définit le **produit matriciel** de A et B , noté $A \times B$ ou AB , comme la matrice $C = (c_{i,j}) \in \mathcal{M}_{n,q}(\mathbb{K})$ définie par :

$$\forall (i, j) \in \llbracket 1; n \rrbracket \times \llbracket 1; q \rrbracket, c_{i,j} = \sum_{k=1}^p a_{i,k}b_{k,j}.$$



Definition 4.12: Scalar multiplication of a matrix

If k is a scalar and $A = [a_{ij}]$ is a matrix, then $kA = [ka_{ij}]$.

Proposition 4.14: Properties of scalar multiplication

Let A and B be matrices of the same size, and let k, ℓ be scalars. Then the following properties hold.

- The distributive law over matrix addition

$$k(A + B) = kA + kB.$$

- The distributive law over scalar addition

$$(k + \ell)A = kA + \ell A.$$

- The associative law for scalar multiplication

$$k(\ell A) = (k\ell)A.$$

- The rule for multiplication by 1

$$1A = A.$$

Proposition 4.23: Matrix multiplication, column method

Let A be an $m \times n$ -matrix, and let B be an $n \times p$ -matrix. Suppose that the columns of B are $\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p$. Then the columns of AB are

$$A\mathbf{b}_1, A\mathbf{b}_2, \dots, A\mathbf{b}_p.$$

In other words, the k^{th} column of the matrix product AB is equal to A times the k^{th} column of B .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \left[\overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}}^{\text{First column}}, \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \end{bmatrix}}^{\text{Second column}}, \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}}^{\text{Third column}}, \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}}^{\text{Fourth column}} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Proposition 4.29: Matrix multiplication, row method

Let A be an $m \times n$ -matrix, and let B be an $n \times p$ -matrix. Suppose that the rows of A are $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m$. Then the rows of AB are

$$\mathbf{a}_1 B, \mathbf{a}_2 B, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m B.$$

In other words, the i^{th} column of the matrix product AB is equal to the i^{th} column of A times B .

Definition 4.31: Identity matrix

The **identity matrix** of size $n \times n$ has ones along the diagonal, and zeros everywhere else. In other words, it is the matrix $[\delta_{ij}]$ where $\delta_{ij} = 1$ if $i = j$ and $\delta_{ij} = 0$ otherwise. The identity matrix is always a square matrix. Here are some identity matrices of various sizes.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

When it is necessary to distinguish which size of identity matrix is being discussed, we will use the notation I_n for the $n \times n$ identity matrix.

Proposition 4.33: Multiplying by the identity matrix

Let A be any $m \times n$ -matrix. Then

$$I_m A = A = A I_n.$$

Proposition 4.35: Properties of matrix multiplication

The following properties hold for matrices A, B, C of appropriate dimensions and for scalars r .

- The associative law of multiplication

$$(AB)C = A(BC).$$

- The existence of multiplicative units

$$I_m A = A = A I_n,$$

where A is an $m \times n$ -matrix.

- Compatibility with scalar multiplication

$$(rA)B = r(AB) = A(rB).$$

- The distributive laws of multiplication over addition

$$A(B+C) = AB+AC,$$

$$(B+C)A = BA+CA.$$

The Transpose of a Matrix

Given an $m \times n$ matrix A , the **transpose** of A is the $n \times m$ matrix, denoted by A^T , whose columns are formed from the corresponding rows of A .

EXAMPLE 8 Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 2 \\ 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -3 & 5 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix}, \quad B^T = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition 1.51 (*Transpose of a matrix*) The transpose of an $m \times n$ matrix $A = [a_{ij}]$ is the $n \times m$ matrix (denoted by A^T), given by $A^T = [a_{ji}]$.

Properties

Let A and B be matrices of appropriate order, then

1. $(A^T)^T = A$
2. $(A + B)^T = A^T + B^T$
3. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$
4. $(kA)^T = kA^T$.

Definition 4.68: Symmetric and antisymmetric matrices

An $n \times n$ -matrix A is said to be **symmetric** if $A^T = A$. It is said to be **antisymmetric** (sometimes also called **skew symmetric**) if $A^T = -A$.

Example 4.69: Symmetric and antisymmetric matrices

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & -3 \\ 3 & -3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 \\ -3 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & -3 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then A is symmetric because $A^T = A$, B is antisymmetric because $B^T = -B$, and C is neither symmetric nor antisymmetric because C^T is equal to neither C nor $-C$.

Definition 1.52 (*Conjugate transpose of a matrix*) The conjugate transpose of an $m \times n$ matrix $A = [a_{ij}]$ is the $n \times m$ matrix (denoted by A^*) given by $A^* = [\overline{a_{ji}}]$ where bar denotes complex conjugation (if $a_{ij} = c + id$, then $\overline{a_{ij}} = c - id$).

Properties

Let A and B be matrices of appropriate orders and λ be a scalar, then

1. $(A^*)^* = A$
2. $(A + B)^* = A^* + B^*$
3. $(AB)^* = B^* A^*$
4. $(\lambda A)^* = \overline{\lambda} A^*$, where $\overline{\lambda}$ is the conjugate of λ .

Definition 1.53 (*Trace of a matrix*) Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be an $n \times n$ matrix. The trace of A , denoted by $\text{tr}(A)$, is the sum of diagonal entries; that is $\text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$.

Properties

For any $n \times n$ matrices A, B, C , and D and $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, we have the following properties:

1. Trace is a linear function.
 $\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$
 $\text{tr}(\lambda A) = \lambda \text{tr}(A)$
2. $\text{tr}(A^T) = \text{tr}(A)$ and $\text{tr}(A^*) = \overline{(\text{tr} A)}$
3. $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$
4. $\text{tr}(ABCD) = \text{tr}(DABC) = \text{tr}(CDAB) = \text{tr}(BCDA)$
5. $\text{tr}(ABC) \neq \text{tr}(ACB)$ in general.
6. $\text{tr}(AB) \neq \text{tr}(A) \cdot \text{tr}(B)$ in general.

Powers of a Matrix

If A is an $n \times n$ matrix and if k is a positive integer, then A^k denotes the product of k copies of A :

$$A^k = \underbrace{A \cdots A}_k$$

If A is nonzero and if \mathbf{x} is in \mathbb{R}^n , then $A^k \mathbf{x}$ is the result of left-multiplying \mathbf{x} by A repeatedly k times. If $k = 0$, then $A^0 \mathbf{x}$ should be \mathbf{x} itself. Thus A^0 is interpreted as the identity matrix. Matrix powers are useful in both theory and applications (Sections 2.6, 4.9, and later in the text).

Definition 4.2 (*Annihilating polynomial*) Let $A \in \mathbb{M}_{n \times n}(\mathbb{K})$. If for $f(\lambda) \in \mathbb{K}[\lambda]$, we have $f(A) = 0$, then $f(\lambda)$ is called an annihilating polynomial of A .

THE INVERSE OF A MATRIX

An $n \times n$ matrix A is said to be **invertible** if there is an $n \times n$ matrix C such that

$$CA = I \quad \text{and} \quad AC = I$$

where $I = I_n$, the $n \times n$ identity matrix. In this case, C is an **inverse** of A . In fact, C is uniquely determined by A , because if B were another inverse of A , then $B = BI = B(AC) = (BA)C = IC = C$. This unique inverse is denoted by A^{-1} , so that

$$A^{-1}A = I \quad \text{and} \quad AA^{-1} = I$$

A matrix that is *not* invertible is sometimes called a **singular matrix**, and an invertible matrix is called a **nonsingular matrix**.

THEOREM 6

- a. If A is an invertible matrix, then A^{-1} is invertible and

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$$

- b. If A and B are $n \times n$ invertible matrices, then so is AB , and the inverse of AB is the product of the inverses of A and B in the reverse order. That is,

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$$

- c. If A is an invertible matrix, then so is A^T , and the inverse of A^T is the transpose of A^{-1} . That is,

$$(A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$$

The product of $n \times n$ invertible matrices is invertible, and the inverse is the product of their inverses in the reverse order.

THEOREM 7

An $n \times n$ matrix A is invertible if and only if A is row equivalent to I_n , and in this case, any sequence of elementary row operations that reduces A to I_n also transforms I_n into A^{-1} .

An Algorithm for Finding A^{-1}

ALGORITHM FOR FINDING A^{-1}

Row reduce the augmented matrix $[A \ I]$. If A is row equivalent to I , then $[A \ I]$ is row equivalent to $[I \ A^{-1}]$. Otherwise, A does not have an inverse.

CHARACTERIZATIONS OF INVERTIBLE MATRICES

THEOREM 8

The Invertible Matrix Theorem

Let A be a square $n \times n$ matrix. Then the following statements are equivalent. That is, for a given A , the statements are either all true or all false.

- A is an invertible matrix.
- A is row equivalent to the $n \times n$ identity matrix.
- A has n pivot positions.
- The equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has only the trivial solution.
- The columns of A form a linearly independent set.
- The linear transformation $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A\mathbf{x}$ is one-to-one.
- The equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has at least one solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n .
- The columns of A span \mathbb{R}^n .
- The linear transformation $\mathbf{x} \mapsto A\mathbf{x}$ maps \mathbb{R}^n onto \mathbb{R}^n .
- There is an $n \times n$ matrix C such that $CA = I$.
- There is an $n \times n$ matrix D such that $AD = I$.
- A^T is an invertible matrix.

Let A and B be square matrices. If $AB = I$, then A and B are both invertible, with $B = A^{-1}$ and $A = B^{-1}$.

EXAMPLE 1 Use the Invertible Matrix Theorem to decide if A is invertible:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 3 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & -1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

SOLUTION

$$A \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

So A has three pivot positions and hence is invertible, by the Invertible Matrix Theorem, statement (c). ■

Multiplication of Partitioned Matrices

Partitioned matrices can be multiplied by the usual row–column rule as if the block entries were scalars, provided that for a product AB , the column partition of A matches the row partition of B .

EXAMPLE 3 Let

$$A = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|cc} 2 & -3 & 1 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -4 & -2 & 7 & -1 \end{array} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \left[\begin{array}{cc} 6 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 7 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{array} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The 5 columns of A are partitioned into a set of 3 columns and then a set of 2 columns. The 5 rows of B are partitioned in the same way—into a set of 3 rows and then a set of 2 rows. We say that the partitions of A and B are **conformable** for **block multiplication**. It can be shown that the ordinary product AB can be written as

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}B_1 + A_{12}B_2 \\ A_{21}B_1 + A_{22}B_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ -6 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{11}B_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 12 \\ 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_{12}B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -20 & -8 \\ -8 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the top block in AB is

$$A_{11}B_1 + A_{12}B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 12 \\ 2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -20 & -8 \\ -8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 4 \\ -6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

THEOREM 10**Column–Row Expansion of AB**

If A is $m \times n$ and B is $n \times p$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 AB &= [\text{col}_1(A) \quad \text{col}_2(A) \quad \cdots \quad \text{col}_n(A)] \begin{bmatrix} \text{row}_1(B) \\ \text{row}_2(B) \\ \vdots \\ \text{row}_n(B) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \text{col}_1(A) \text{row}_1(B) + \cdots + \text{col}_n(A) \text{row}_n(B)
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

EXAMPLE 4 Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{bmatrix}$. Verify that

$$AB = \text{col}_1(A) \text{row}_1(B) + \text{col}_2(A) \text{row}_2(B) + \text{col}_3(A) \text{row}_3(B)$$

SOLUTION Each term above is an *outer product*. (See Exercises 27 and 28 in Section 2.1.) By the row–column rule for computing a matrix product,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{col}_1(A) \text{row}_1(B) &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3a & -3b \\ a & b \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{col}_2(A) \text{row}_2(B) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c & d \\ -4c & -4d \end{bmatrix} \\
 \text{col}_3(A) \text{row}_3(B) &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2e & 2f \\ 5e & 5f \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\sum_{k=1}^3 \text{col}_k(A) \text{row}_k(B) = \begin{bmatrix} -3a + c + 2e & -3b + d + 2f \\ a - 4c + 5e & b - 4d + 5f \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition 1.57 (*Rank of a matrix*) The rank of a matrix is the order of the highest order sub-matrix having non-zero determinant.

Properties

1. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then $\text{Rank}(A) \leq \min\{m, n\}$.
2. Only zero matrix has rank zero.
3. A square matrix $A_{n \times n}$ is invertible if and only if $\text{Rank}(A) = n$.
4. *Sylvester's Inequality*: If A is an $m \times n$ matrix and B is an $n \times p$ matrix, then

$$\text{Rank}(A) + \text{Rank}(B) - n \leq \text{Rank}(AB) \leq \min\{\text{Rank}(A), \text{Rank}(B)\}$$

This result is named after the famous English mathematician *James Joseph Sylvester* (1814–1897).

5. *Frobenius Inequality*: Let A , B , and C be any matrices such that AB , BC , and ABC exists, then

$$\text{Rank}(AB) + \text{Rank}(BC) \leq \text{Rank}(ABC) + \text{Rank}(B)$$

This result is named after the famous German mathematician *Ferdinand Georg Frobenius* (1849–1917).

6. Rank is sub-additive. That is, $\text{Rank}(A + B) \leq \text{Rank}(A) + \text{Rank}(B)$.
7. $\text{Rank}(A) = \text{Rank}(A^T) = \text{Rank}(A^T A)$.
8. $\text{Rank}(kA) = \text{Rank}(A)$ if $k \neq 0$.

Definition 1.60 (*Elementary Operations*) There are three kinds of elementary matrix operations:

- (1) Interchanging two rows (or columns).
- (2) Multiplying each element in a row (or column) by a non-zero number.
- (3) Multiplying a row (or column) by a non-zero number and adding the result to another row (or column).

When these operations are performed on rows, they are called *elementary row operations*; and when they are performed on columns, they are called *elementary column operations*.

Definition 1.61 (*Equivalent matrices*) Two matrices A and B are said to be row(column) equivalent if there is a sequence of elementary row(column) operations that transforms A into B and is denoted by $A \sim B$.

Definition 1.62 (*Row Echelon form of a matrix*) A matrix is said to be in row echelon form when it satisfies the following conditions:

- (a) Each leading entry (the first non-zero entry in a row) is in a column to the right of the leading entry in the previous row.
- (b) Rows with all zero elements, if any, are below rows having a non-zero element.

If the matrix also satisfies the condition

- (c) The first non-zero element in each row, called the leading entry or pivot, is 1.

Then the matrix is in *reduced row echelon form*.

The rank of a matrix is equal to the number of non-zero rows in its row echelon